

What is claimed is:

1. A method for starting an engine (5) of a vehicle (1), wherein in the event of a starting command, a check is made as to whether the vehicle (1) is stationary; if the vehicle (1) is stationary, at least one vehicle brake (10) is activated; and after activation of the vehicle brake (10), starting of the engine (5) is authorized.
2. The method as defined in Claim 1, wherein the at least one vehicle brake (10) is released again after an engine startup.
3. The method as defined in either of the foregoing claims, wherein the engine (5) is automatically started after starting of the engine (5) is authorized.
4. The method as defined in any of the foregoing claims, wherein in the event a starting authorization is not present within a predefined time period following the existence of the starting command or of a starting authorization request associated therewith, an automatic start of the engine (5) is excluded.
5. The method as defined in any of the foregoing claims, wherein starting is authorized only if a determination is made that a drive system of the vehicle (1) is disengaged from the engine (5).
6. The method as defined in any of the foregoing claims, wherein starting is authorized only if a determination is made that a clutch (15) of the vehicle (1) is actuated.
7. The method as defined in any of the foregoing claims, wherein starting of the engine (5) is authorized in the event the vehicle (1) is not stationary.